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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6142

BILL NUMBER: HB 1046

NOTE PREPARED: Nov 10, 2008

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Environmental Permits.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Pond

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
X DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill extends to July 1, 2010, the deadline for certain businesses to obtain environmental permits and limits enforcement actions against the businesses.

Effective Date: Upon passage.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues: Extending the deadline could delay the receipt of permit fees by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM). The amount of fees that would be delayed is indeterminable and would depend on the number of businesses that opt to postpone obtaining a permit and paying the fee. Permits involved could include air, water, and land permits. Fee revenue is deposited in various dedicated funds used to finance IDEM operations.

Also, the bill would void any action taken by IDEM against an eligible business. If IDEM assessed an administrative fine, the fine would no longer be valid. Administrative fines are deposited in the Environmental Management Special Fund (IC 13-14-12), which is used for the purposes of IDEM and the environmental boards. The IDEM Commissioner may direct all or a part of the money to the Solid Waste Management Fund. The money could also be used for emergency purposes (IC 13-14-10-3). Any criminal fines assessed would be deposited in either the state General Fund or the Common School Fund.

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: IDEM

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: IDEM

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